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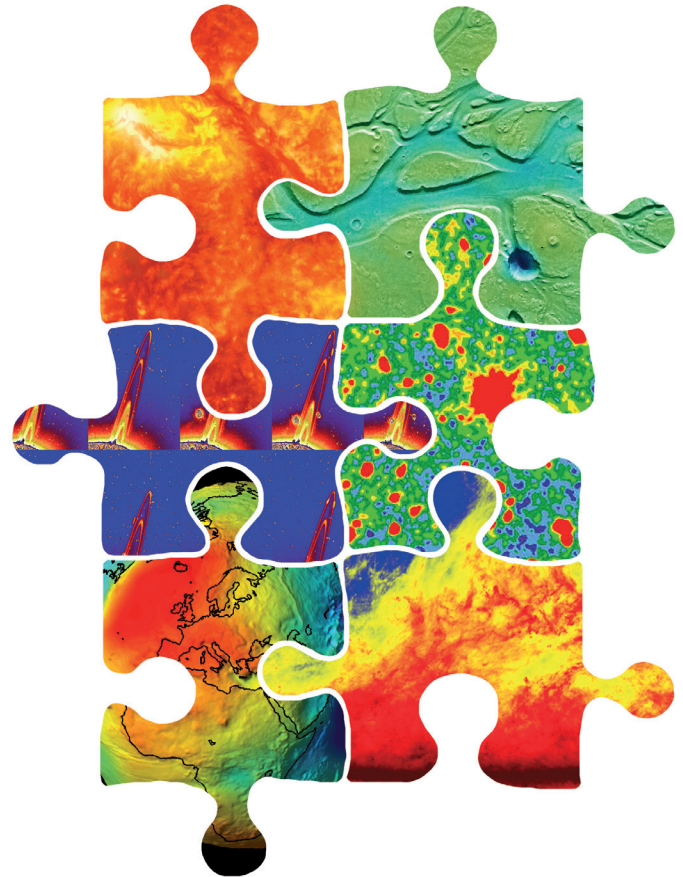
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International Space Science Institute
A Catalyzer for Space Research

The Institute

The main function of the International Space Science Institute is to contribute to a deeper understanding of the results from different space missions through multidisciplinary research involving scientists from all over the world. Both space science and Earth science missions are included in ISSI's activities. Ground-based observations are also exploited when they contribute to the interpretation of observations from space.

ISSI is a non-profit organization set up in 1995. Three bodies interact regularly in matters of strategy, operation, finance and public relation: the Board of Trustees, the Science Committee and the Directorate.

On average ISSI is hosting more than 750 scientists per year in its activities, in the framework of International Teams, Workshops, Working Groups, or Forums. ISSI is using all these tools to address in a strict scientific framework controversial issues and to promote a science program related directly to the most pressing issues raised by space and Earth science missions.

All the activities result in publications either as papers in peer reviewed scientific journals or as volumes in the Space Science Series of ISSI or in the Scientific Report Series.

The ISSI program and its tools are open to the entire space research community and are intended for adding value in collaboration with the space research institutions, agencies and universities. Complete information on the Institute, its present and near term program and its publications can be found on its web page www.issibern.ch.

How to Participate in the Activities of ISSI

International Teams

A call for proposals is released every year in mid January for International Teams to conduct on ISSI's premises research activities in space and Earth sciences, based on the interdisciplinary analysis and evaluation of data from spacecraft and their integration with ground data and theoretical models. These proposals are evaluated and prioritized by the ISSI Science Committee in mid June.

Workshops, Working Groups, and Forums

The scientific community can suggest at any time themes for Workshops, Working Groups, and Forums by submitting to the Directorate a summary of maximum one page, explaining the proposal topic, the rationale to organize the event at ISSI and the list of proposers.

ISSI Facilities

ISSI provides to the scientists during their stay meeting rooms and all the needed technical support. A per diem to cover the living and accommodation expenses is also offered during the working period at ISSI. A separate financial provision allows the addition of Young Scientists to all ISSI Workshops and Teams.

For more information please contact Maurizio Falanga, ISSI Science Program Manager on mfalanga@issibern.ch.

Welcome to ISSI!